strict vigil on the activities of the unauthorised recruiting agents.

New Pension Scheme for Unorganised Sector

1586. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce a new pension scheme for unorganised sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how soon the new scheme would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) to (c) The Govt. has already introduced a new pension scheme namely the Employees Pension Scheme, 1995, for the industrial wokers. The scheme is applicable to the employees engaged in 177 industries/classes of establishments employing 20 or more persons. The scheme does not make any discrimination between organised and unorganised sectors. Many unorganised sectors like bidi, brick, katha, agarbatti, building/construction, coir, agricultural farms, cattle-breeding, poultry farming, chutni industries, etc. are already covered under the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995.

Second National Commission on Labour

1587. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up the Second National Commission on Labour;

(b) if so, whether Government agreed in the Indian Labour Conference that the terms of reference of the Commission would be finalised in consultation with trade unions and employees representatives;

(c) whether any meeting was convened by the Ministry of Labour before finalising the terms of reference; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) to (d) The decision to set up the

Second National Commission on Labour was taken by the Cabinet on 24.12.1998 when the composition and terms of reference of the Commission were finalised. However, as per the conclusions of the 35th Session of the Standing Labour Committee held on 6.2.1999, the Employers' and Employees' Organisations were requested to make available their views. Since, the terms of reference as well as composition of the Commission have already been finalised, the views received would be forwarded to the National Commission on Labour for consideration while formulating their views on various issues. The resolution formally setting up the Second National Commission on Labour has been issued on 15.10.1999.

Contract Labour at Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust

1588. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have prohibited certain categories of Contract labour in Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust in Nhava-Sheva;

(b) if so, the details of the categories;

(c) whether the Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust have implemented Government's order;

(d) if so, when it was implemented; and

(e) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Central Government has, *vide* notification No.S.O. 1000 (E), dated 1.10.1999, prohibited employment of contract labour in tugs, pilot launches and mooring launches of the Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust, Mumbai.

(c) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Committee on Demands for PSU Workers

1589. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state: